

# RUSSIAN FORCE LINKS UP WITH BRITISH ARMY IN ASIA MINOR

Czar's Cavalry, After "Bold and Adventurous Ride," Crosses Tigris River; Remarkable Feat of Daring.

## HOW JUNCTION WAS EFFECTED UNKNOWN

Dispatch From British Commander Gives No Details of Ally's Coup; Turks Vacate Advance Positions.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
London, May 21.—A force of Russian cavalry has joined the British army in the Tigris in Mesopotamia.

An official communication issued tonight concerning the situation along the Tigris follows:

"General Lake reports that on the nineteenth the enemy vacated Bethesda advanced positions on the right bank of the Tigris. General Goringe, following up the enemy, attacked and carried the Baghdad redoubt. The enemy is still holding the Sannayat position on the left bank of the river.

### A Feat of Daring.

"A force of Russian cavalry has joined General Goringe after a bold and adventurous ride."

The first news of the operations on the Tigris since the fall of Kut-el-Amara, sent today by Lieut. Gen. Sir Percy Lake, commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia, although it shows that the Turks are still holding the Sannayat position on the left bank of the Tigris, where the British check made it impossible to carry out the relief of General Townshend, the relief of the British position, the British army, after an adventurous ride, has succeeded in joining General Goringe's forces on the south bank of the Tigris.

### Details Still Unknown.

How this important junction was effected is still unknown, and the story will be awaited with interest. The supposition is that this detachment came from the regular army which is threatening Khaniki, but it still remains a puzzle where and how the Russians succeeded in crossing the river.

Their sudden appearance with General Goringe also has raised the question whether the Russians have already cut the Baghdad railway at Mosul. In any case, the unexpected appearance of this body of cavalry is as great a surprise as was the first landing of the Russian troops at Basra, and is another instance of the swift and stealthy movement of the Russian forces in Asia Minor.

## GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN RUSSIA PUT DOWN

Petrograd, May 21 (via London, 11:45 p. m.).—The war office communication issued tonight reads:

"A German attempt at an offensive in the Houlst region and north of Lake Ilsen was repulsed with heavy enemy losses. In the Devisk region and north of Lake Madzob the German attack was repulsed with heavy losses. In the Caucasus our troops continue their advance in the direction of Mesul."

## TURKS PREPARE TO OBEY ADVANCE OF GRAND DUKE

Geneva, Switzerland, May 21 (via Paris, 11:45 p. m.).—The Constantinople correspondent of the Tribune says that Field Marshal Limon von Sanders is assembling a strong force of Turkish troops at Sivas, in Asiatic Turkey, to oppose the advance of the Russians. The Turks are equipped abundantly with artillery. The correspondent also says that Turkey has called out recruits of the ages of 17 and 18.

## NATIONAL PROHIBITION FAVORED BY BAPTISTS

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Minneapolis, Minn., May 21.—Revolutionary services and sermons by leading Baptists in city churches, made up the program today of the Northern Baptist convention which has been in session here since last Wednesday.

The delegates tomorrow will elect the general convention officers and the officers of the various societies.

The report of the resolutions committee will be submitted Wednesday. C. A. Cook, of Helena, Mont., chairman of the sub-committee of the resolutions committee, stated that the program which will go before the convention will include a resolution favoring national prohibition by constitutional amendment. The delegates also will be asked to pledge themselves to support a permanent peace program at the cessation of the European war. Another resolution would place the convention on record as condemning "the weak divorce laws, especially in western states."

The committee discussed proposed resolutions to condemn dancing, cigarette smoking and card playing, but decided to leave the questions to the individual Baptists and the congregations.

## New Buildings at Pinos Altos.

Santa Fe, May 21.—New buildings including a headframe have been erected on the Mills property at Pinos Altos. The shaft has been reinforced and the 160-foot level is sixteen inches wide carrying zinc, lead and silver. The C. & O. Mining and Milling company is putting out gold and zinc concentrates carrying also gold and silver values.

## THE WEATHER

THE WEATHER FORECAST.  
Denver, Colo., May 21.—New Mexico: Monday, fair and warmer; Tuesday, fair.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.  
For twenty-four hours, ending at 6 p. m. yesterday.  
Maximum temperature, 74 degrees; minimum, 49 degrees; range, 25 degrees; temperature at 6 p. m., 68 degrees; west wind, clear.

## GRAND JURY RETURNS 22 INDICTMENTS

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)  
East Las Vegas, N. M., May 21.—Twenty-two indictments were returned by the San Miguel county grand jury, which was discharged late Saturday afternoon after having been in session for six days. So far, the name of only one person accused by the inquisitors has been made public, Sol Jacoby, a junk dealer, having been arraigned on a charge of receiving stolen property. Jacoby pleaded not guilty to the indictment, and his case was set for trial Monday. Jacoby is charged with having purchased brass and copper from boys who stole the metals from the Santa Fe railway.

Seven or more bills were returned by the grand jury, which also stated that its examination of the various county offices showed them to be satisfactorily handled.

### Look for Alleged Swindler.

East Las Vegas, N. M., May 21.—An effort is being made by the sheriff and the district attorney to find a man who gave the name of C. Young and who is said to have cashed a draft here recently for \$100. Shortly after Young's departure, it was learned that the draft was a forgery. The draft was on the Clifton Varnish company of Cleveland, O., and was endorsed here by the El Dorado hotel. The hostelry, so far, is the loser.

## METHODISTS NOT IN HARMONY ON DANCE QUESTION

Prohibition Against "Worldly Amusements" Not Enforced Anywhere; Some Favor a Change of Rule.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 21.—The so-called "worldly amusements" and their relation to members of the Methodist Episcopal church, probably will be overhauled in importance the majority of the proposals to be presented to the general conference during the fourth week of the quadrennial session, which begins tomorrow.

Two definite proposals will be submitted, one by the majority of the committee on the state of the church, which favors the retention of the present prohibition against card playing, dancing and theater-going; and another from the minority of the same committee, which will ask that the same prohibitions be eliminated and that the position of the church as opposed to these amusements be made clear by other means.

Rule Not Enforced.

The rules of the church now provide expulsion as a penalty for members who engage in these diversions. It is claimed that this is not enforced in the majority of churches, though previous attempts to effect a change have always failed.

The advisability of continuing the publication of all the periodicals now issued under church auspices will be decided early in the week.

Although the election of bishops has been completed, missionary bishops for Africa and Malaya are to be chosen unless the conference convenes its previous session to send general superintendents to these fields.

Many Elections to Come Up.

Nearly twenty-five officials of church boards and editors of publications also are to be elected.

A proposal to transfer headquarters of the temperance society from Topeka, Kas., to Washington, D. C., will be offered this week. It was announced. The committee which favors this action asserts that "the battlefront of prohibition during the next quadrennium is to be on the Atlantic coast and the fight will center at Washington."

William J. Bryan, former secretary of state, spoke tonight at the temperance anniversary.

## PLOT IS ON FOOT TO LIBERATE ABDUL HAMID

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Geneva, May 21 (via Paris, 10:05 p. m.).—The Tribune's Constantinople correspondent says it is thought a plot is on foot to liberate former Sultan Abdul Hamid, and that his guards have been greatly increased.

## Pinto Bean Demand Large.

East Las Vegas, N. M., May 21.—Owing to the fact that there is a big demand in neighboring states for New Mexico pinto beans to be used as feed for hogs, the bean growers here are advising as to what means they have left after planting their 1916 crop. Mr. Gonzalez believes there will be a bean famine, or at least a shortage of that variety of vegetable.

## Aged Resident Dies.

East Las Vegas, N. M., May 21.—Francisco C. de Baca, an aged resident of Las Vegas, died here Saturday after a long illness. Mr. de Baca survived by three sons and one daughter, Fulgencio, Pablo and Hipolito C. de Baca, and Mrs. Patricia Soto. Mr. de Baca many years ago was in business in Villavieja.

# GERMAN TROOPS CAPTURE TRENCH AND 1,300 MEN AROUND VERDUN

French Take Two Positions on Important Road and Seize Quarries, Together With Prisoners and Guns.

## TEUTONIC AEROPLANES DROP BOMBS ON CAIRO

Austrians Continue Offensive; Russians Repulse Foes on Eastern Front, Where Artillery Is Active.

Around Verdun the fighting between the French and the Germans continues with great violence. A French first line trench and slopes on the west of Le Mort Homme have been captured by the Germans, while the French have taken two trenches on the east of the same place. Berlin reports that more than 1,200 French were taken prisoners and that sixteen machine guns and eight cannons were captured in the region of Le Mort Homme.

Northeast of the fortress the French have taken from the Germans the Handreumont quarries and captured eighty prisoners and four machine guns. On the remainder of the front the fighting has consisted mainly of artillery duels and numerous air combats.

### Austrians Still Advance.

The latest German official report, dated Saturday and presumably referring to fighting of the previous day, records additional progress of the Austrian arms against the Italians in southern Tyrol.

Except for German attempts at offensives against the Russians in the Houlst region and north of Lake Ilsen, which were repulsed, there have been only artillery duels on the Russian front.

### German Drop Bombs on Cairo.

Two aeroplanes of the Teutonic allies have dropped bombs on Cairo, Egypt, killing two and wounding several other persons.

The Russians have achieved in part one of their main objects in Asiatic Turkey—the joining of their troops with the British forces fighting against the Turks on the Tigris river.

### Coincidence with Their Arrival.

A report that the Turks have evacuated the right bank of the Tigris and also have lost to the British their Baghdad redoubt.

## TWO GERMAN PLANES ARE BROUGHT DOWN

Paris, May 21.—The official communication issued tonight reads:

"On the left bank of the Meuse the battle continued fiercely all day on the front between the Avocourt wood and the Meuse. In the neighborhood of the road from Ennes to Haucourt an attack by troops permitted us to occupy two German trenches. A small work which the enemy occupied May 18 south of Hill 287, was shattered by our artillery."

"Immediately east of Hill 304 the enemy delivered an attack which after penetrating our first line trench was driven back."

"On the slopes west of Le Mort Homme, a violent offensive by an enemy brigade was stopped."

### Artillery Fight on Meuse.

"On the right bank of the Meuse the artillery struggle was violent. In the sector of Douaumont, our troops in a spirited attack captured the Handreumont quarries. We took eighty prisoners and four machine guns."

"German aeroplanes carried out since yesterday two bombardments in the region of Dunkirk. About twenty shells were dropped last evening, killing four persons and wounding fifteen. Today another of hundreds of shells was dropped in the same region. Two soldiers and a child were killed, and twenty persons were wounded."

### Aeroplanes Brought Down.

"Allied aeroplanes pursued the enemy machines and succeeded in bringing two down."

"Immediately after the first bombardment fifty-three French, British and Belgian aeroplanes flew over the German cantonnements. At Weygand and Ghislain, on which 250 shells were dropped."

"German aeroplanes today dropped fifteen bombs on Belfort, but the material damage was insignificant."

Belgian communication:

Last night and today the artillery duels in the sector of Dixmude reached great intensity. In the direction of Steenstraete the action extended to an engagement with bombs. Yesterday in an aerial fight off Neuport, a Belgian aeroplane brought down a German machine."

### Veteran Publisher Buried.

Santa Fe, May 21.—The funeral of Capt. Allen Kelly, twenty and more years ago a newspaper editor and publisher at Las Cruces, who took part in the stormy political incidents of that time and who was actively interested in mining in Socorro and Sierra counties, took place at Los Angeles last Thursday. John S. McGroarty, author of the Mission play, made the funeral address.

### Domestic Science Dinner.

Santa Fe, May 21.—The domestic science class of the eighth grade last evening served a dinner to the high school faculty and the board of education, which was a demonstration of the skill attained by the culinary department of the class.

### To Give Baccalaureate Sermon.

Santa Fe, May 21.—The baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the Santa Fe high school will be delivered next Sunday at the First Presbyterian church by Rev. B. Z. McCollough.

## GERMANS CAPTURE 1300 FRENCH AT VERDUN

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Berlin, May 21 (via London).—More than 1,300 French, including thirteen officers, sixteen machine guns and eight cannons, were captured in a new German assault on the Verdun front in the region of Dead Man's hill, the war office announced today. The statement says the German lines were advanced on the southwest slopes of the hill.

## FRENCH ADMIT LOSS OF FRENCH POSITION

Paris, May 21 (2:35 p. m.).—The official statement issued this afternoon says:

"On the Meuse the Germans continued during the night their attacks on our positions, on Dead Man's hill. They were again repulsed but succeeded in occupying one of our first line trenches and slopes west of Dead Man's hill."

## HUGHES FAVORED IN OREGON PRIMARIES

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Portland, Ore., May 21.—With 60 per cent of the vote cast in last Friday's statewide primary election counted and with all but four of the thirty-five counties heard from, it became apparent of the nearly 100,000 valid votes cast, Charles E. Hughes received a clear majority over all other presidential candidates, of approximately 15,000. His plurality over Senator Albert B. Cummins will be approximately 25,000, while Senator Cummins has received more than twice as many votes as former Senator Theodore L. Burton, of Ohio.

The vote received by Colonel Roosevelt was only negligible, although on the progressive ballot he received the vote of the party as its nominee. Democrats took over again to have voted unanimously for President Wilson.

## TRIAL OF DR. WAITE BEGINS IN NEW YORK

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
New York, May 21.—The trial of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite for the murder of his wealthy father-in-law, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, will begin here tomorrow morning. Among the 115 witnesses who have been summoned by the prosecution to testify against Waite, is his wife, Mrs. Clara Peck Waite, of Grand Rapids, who has sued him for a divorce.

While the defense has made no official statement as to what its course will be, a plea of insanity will be offered. Waite has contended that he was possessed of two personalities—the evil one of which impelled him to take the lives of his wife's parents.

It is believed the first two days of the trial will be consumed in examining a jury because of the wide publicity which has been given the case since it was learned the aged millionaire's death was caused by poison which his son-in-law has confessed administering to him.

## SEVERE FIGHTING ON ITALIAN FRONT

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Geneva, May 21 (via Paris, 2:44 p. m.).—Reports received here from Innsbruck are to the effect that severe fighting continues along the Italian front. The Italian districts of San Vito, which were captured by the Austrians, have been recaptured since the beginning of the offensive are estimated at 8,000. The Austrians are said to have from eight to ten army corps in the province of Trent.

## PRINCE VON BUELOW TO SUCCEED VON JAGOW

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Geneva, Switzerland, May 21 (via Paris, 4:00 p. m.).—French newspapers say that travelers who have just arrived in Switzerland from Berlin have the impression that the resignation of Count von Buelow as vice-chancellor and minister of the interior will be followed by the retirement of Gottlieb von Jagow, the foreign minister. It is reported Prince von Buelow, former chancellor, will become foreign minister.

### Record Tax Collection.

Santa Fe, May 21.—County Superintendent John V. Conway is proud of his record in forcing the collection of poll taxes. The rural districts of Santa Fe county have already turned in \$2,621 of poll taxes for this year, an unprecedented record. One district, that of Madrid, turned in almost \$500. Not one able-bodied man in the rural districts will be permitted to escape payment of his small annual contribution to the public schools.

## PERSHING MOVES SUPPLIES NORTH FROM NAWOQUA

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Columbus, N. M., May 21.—Reports reaching here tonight that supplies and rations are being moved back fifteen miles from Namiquipa, and that a camp being established, gave rise to a belief that the most advanced base of Colonel Pershing's expeditionary column for the coming rainy season has been decided upon.

The unsuitability of the present camp site at Namiquipa is believed to have brought about the decision. Nearly all of the ten motor truck companies now operating are now in the interior hauling the immense quantities of reserve supplies concentrated in the field to the new location. Motor truckmen reported that the trucks have been in use so constantly that several of them have caught fire from overheated engines and burned.

Baled hay and grain in large quantities for horses is being sent forward by truck train. Such a reserve of rations has been piled up at the sub-base that none has been shipped from Columbus in the past forty-eight hours.

# NINE ARE KILLED, 38 INJURED AND OKLAHOMA TOWN IS DESTROYED

Most Violent Twister Sweeps Path Three-quarters Mile Wide and Five Miles Long Just North of Texas Border.

## KEMP CITY WIPED OUT BY CYCLONE

Second Time in Recent Years Little Town of 300 Inhabitants Has Been Visited by Destructive Storm.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Denison, Tex., May 21.—Nine persons were killed and thirty-eight injured and Kemp City, Ok., eight miles east of Denison, was wiped out by a tornado which last night swept a path three-quarters of a mile wide and five miles long in the Kemp City section.

Twelve business houses, a two-story hotel and sixty residences were demolished in Kemp City. This was the second time in recent years that the little town, of 300 inhabitants has been visited by a tornado.

Eight of the dead were killed in the town while the other victims, a child, was killed in the collapse of its father's home just across the Red river in Texas.

The dead:

MR. AND MRS. E. E. COX, DR. AND MRS. WILLIAM BRINSON, CHANEY BETTELE, cashier of the Bank of Kemp, M. E. THOMAS, postmaster, ARTIE LEAS, carpenter, and MRS. J. W. HAVELY, six-year-old daughter of Dr. J. J. McCollough.

Of the thirty-eight persons injured thirty-six are residents of Kemp City. Two daughters of Dr. McCollough were hurt at the time their younger sister was killed in the McCollough home, five miles east of Denison. Most of those injured were caught in the collapse of buildings, or while trying to reach stores, cellars, or basements, the storm broke at 9:20 p. m. Saturday.

The bodies of the victims in several instances were found hundreds of yards from where their homes had stood.

The tornado played the usual freakish tricks of such a storm. The 2-year-old child of Dr. and Mrs. Brinson, who were killed, was hurled 500 feet with flying debris, when the Brinson residence was destroyed, and the child suffered only minor injuries.

After the storm passed, emergency treatment was given the injured in complete darkness and with the rain falling in torrents. A special train carrying twelve physicians from Denison did not reach Kemp until several hours after the tornado passed.

## TORNADO DOES PROPERTY DAMAGE IN IOWA

Des Moines, Ia., May 21.—A tornado which swept across central Iowa late this afternoon did considerable damage to buildings, but no persons have been learned as yet were injured.

All the outbuildings of the Jasper county poor farm near Newton, were wrecked, and the roof was torn from the main residence building.

Houses, barns and livestock were swept away by the storm at Burrill, a mining town nine miles north of here. The house of George Forbes, a miner, was lifted fifty feet in the air and carried 100 yards down the hill. The house was wrecked but Forbes escaped injury.

A heavy rain fell in Des Moines.

## GILBERT INDUCED BY FRIENDS NOT TO TALK AT M. E. CONFERENCE

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)  
Roswell, N. M., May 21.—An attempt to get some political action from the district conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, failed this morning. It had been arranged for J. C. Gilbert, candidate for district attorney, to make a speech at the morning session, and it was hoped the morning session of the conference would be a political one.

Mr. Gilbert went to the meeting but was met at the door and his friends informed that "the time was inopportune" for his speech. It is said that two or three local ministers had already endorsed Gilbert's candidacy by letter. Gilbert was the third man in the primaries in Chavez and Eddy counties but the primaries in Curry and Roosevelt counties have not been held.

The conference elected the following delegates to the annual conference: W. B. Plafie, Artesia; Tomlinson, Fort, Roswell; C. K. McKnight, Pecos; J. D. Terry, Artesia. This conference will be held in Clovis in October.

The Rev. S. E. Allison reported that the conditions of all the charges in the Pecos valley was good, and that there had been a substantial increase in the church membership. He also said that the district was practically self-supporting.

Artesia was chosen for the next Pecos valley conference, Odessa and Pecos also asking for the meeting.

### Governor Grants Pardon.

Santa Fe, May 21.—Governor McDonald yesterday granted a complete pardon to Valentino Tobarquez who had been sentenced in November, 1915, to serve 100 days and pay \$100 fine. Governor McDonald also granted a conditional pardon to Harry K. Grubbs, sentenced from Quay county to serve 90 days and pay \$50 fine.

## CLOVIS CHAMBER ADOPTS CREED OF OPTIMISM

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)  
Clovis, N. M., May 21.—The following creed has been adopted by the Clovis Chamber of Commerce, and already many of its citizens have had it printed on the backs of their business cards and in other ways are making use of it. The intention is to have the creed generally circulated in every way possible so as to show to the world at large just what the citizens of Clovis think of their city and Curry county.

The confession of faith follows:

"Our Creed.

"We believe that Clovis, the best town in eastern New Mexico and the future metropolis of the plains country.

"We believe in boosting and not knocking, in looking forward instead of backward, in being optimistic, instead of pessimistic and in lending a hand to any worthy cause that will benefit our town.

"Relieve in Every One.

"We believe in the business men, the professional men, the laboring men, the railroad men, and every citizen of Clovis, and in our opinion they are the most progressive and intelligent class of people to be found anywhere."

"We believe in our schools and our churches and all other agencies calculated to improve our boys and our girls to the end that they may grow up to be intelligent, upright and honest citizens."

"We believe that in Clovis the sun shines just a little brighter, the rain falls a little more gently, the winds blow a little more kindly and the stars twinkle a little more brilliantly than anywhere else in the country."

### 10,000 in 1920.

"We believe in the 10,000 inhabitants in 1920 slogan and will strive in all legitimate ways to bring this about."

"And last, but not least, we believe in Curry county and the sturdy farmers who comprise the citizenry thereof, who, by their untiring efforts are producing the finest grains, the fattest cattle, the sleekest horses and the best hogs to be found anywhere."

## ALLIES HONOR DARING AIRMEN FROM AMERICA

Three Members of Flying Corps Likely to Be Promoted for Feats of Bravery Against German Aviators.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Paris, May 21 (12:30 p. m.).—Corporal Kiffin Rockwell, of Atlanta, Ga., a member of the Franco-American flying corps, has been proposed for promotion to the rank of sergeant as a reward for bringing down a German aeroplane near Hartmannsweilerkopf on May 18. He will be decorated with the military medal.

Corporal Victor Charnay, of New York, has been proposed for promotion to the rank of sergeant for his pursuit of a German machine that flew over the aviation camp seeking revenge for Corporal Rockwell's exploit.

Lieutenant William K. Thaw of Pittsburgh, is proposed for citation for pursuing a second German machine from the camp, continuing the flight at close range until his machine gun ammunition was exhausted.

Lieutenant Thaw also is credited with forcing down a German machine probably to destruction, but it has been impossible to verify this officially.

Corporal Rockwell engaged his opponent at close quarters. He swooped down on the German aeroplane, facing machine gun fire as he approached. He waited until he was within thirty yards of the German machine and then opened fire. At his fifth shot the gunner of the German machine tossed up his hands and fell over on the pilot, who also crumpled up as the machine began to plunge downward in flames to the German trenches near Verdun.

Two German aeroplanes flew over the Franco-American camp on the following day and dropped a bomb which exploded within ten yards of the machine, but caused no damage. Corporal Charnay and Lieutenant Thaw took to the air and the Germans fled. One escaped in the haze. Lieutenant Thaw caught the other at a height of 3,200 yards and exchanged several volleys at close range. Then his machine jammed and he was obliged to desert.

## HEADQUARTERS OPENED FOR COL. ROOSEVELT

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
New York, May 21.—A committee of republicans headed by George von L. Meyer has opened headquarters here, it was announced tonight, to conduct a campaign for the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for president.

"The committee will be enlarged and will extend its activities to every state in order to bring together all elements in the party for united action," says a statement issued by the committee.

The membership of the committee includes John H. Iselin, Ogden, N. J.; Alexander M. White, J. Mayhew Wright and Robert C. Morris.

### Preaches to Graduates.

East Las Vegas, N. M., May 21.—"Shattered Dreams" was the subject of the sermon delivered Sunday evening by the Rev. R. S. Dunn, pastor of the First Methodist church, to the graduates of the high school. The class sermon was preached in the Duncan opera house. It was heard by a large number of people. An excellent musical program was a feature of the exercises.

### Storm Causes \$150,000 Damage.

Yuma, Colo., May 21.—Estimates today on the damage caused by yesterday's tornado which struck this town, place the loss at approximately \$150,000. Many buildings were completely wrecked. Several persons were injured but none seriously.

# DETACHMENT OF U. S. TROOPERS FIRED UPON BY VILLA BANDITS

One Soldier Is Wounded; When Americans Reply to Attack Assaultants Beat Hasty Retreat.

## PERSHING'S MEN ARE FOLLOWED NORTHWARD

People Are Told That Uncle Sam's Forces Are Retreating; "Pursuers" May Be Carrancistas.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)  
Field Headquarters, May 21 (via Wireless to Columbus, N. M.).—Thirteen troopers of the Seventh cavalry were fired upon yesterday near the town of Temascal, and one was wounded. The attack is ascribed to bandits hiding about a bridge near the town, which is a few miles south-east of Madera, on the Mexico North-western railroad.

After a few shots the Mexicans fled and the Americans continued on their way.

A small group of Mexicans is falling in behind the American columns as they move northward, always keeping out of sight, but telling the natives that they are chasing the "terrones" from Mexican soil. They stop whenever the Americans halt and hide or disarm if General Pershing's men approach them.

Two suppositions are prevalent regarding the identity of these men. One is that they are Carrancistas trying to give the American movement the appearance of a retreat. The other is that they are bandits, seeking to annoy the Americans by sniping. The latter conjecture is the more favored.

This is the first intimation received recently that American soldiers were stationed so far to the south. All reports have placed their southernmost point at Namiquipa, which is a considerable distance to the north of Temascal, from which it also is separated by a range of the Sierra Madre.

## SIXTH CAVALRYMEN ON WAY TO BIG BEND

El Paso, Tex., May 21.—Approximately 500 men of the Sixth cavalry, the first regiment to be withdrawn from Gen. J. J. Pershing's expeditionary column, passed through El Paso today on their way to the Big Bend district of Texas, where they will do border patrol duty. The troops, which were carried in three special trains, are expected to have completed detouring at Sierra Blanca, Marfa, Alpine and Marathon tomorrow. Before going into Mexico about a month ago the regiment was stationed on the border in the vicinity of Brownsville, Tex.

El Paso, Tex., May 21.—Army officials here tonight were investigating a report brought from Boquillas by a truck driver to the effect that Yaqui Indians were in the rear of Maj. George T. Langhorne's cavalry detachment and in a position to threaten it. The report was without official confirmation.

According to the truck driver, who said he got his information from couriers sent to the border by the expeditionary forces, Colonel Sibley, who was leading the advance out of Mexico, has retraced his steps in order to reinforce Langhorne.

Several days ago reports crossed the border that 400 Yaquis had left Cuatro Ciénegas in the direction of Boquillas.

Similar reports were brought here tonight by Capt. H. L. Evans, of the army signal corps. He asserted that he had been told that upon receipt of some information concerning the movement toward the American border, Colonel Sibley had turned back to the interior and was preparing, if necessary, to reinforce Major Langhorne, who was holding up the rear.

Marauders cut the army telegraph line between Marfa and the Mexican frontier in three places last Friday night, according to Captain Evans, who arrived from Boquillas, where he had been directing the erection of the line.

Captain Evans also said that one of the poles had been destroyed at a point about five miles north of Boquillas. No definite clue to the identity of the vandals has been obtained.

Captain Evans pointed out that if communication is to be maintained between Marfa and Colonel Sibley's sub-base at Boquillas that the whole line will have to be patrolled with soldiers.

In view of Friday night's occurrence, this step is absolutely necessary," he added.

Later military authorities admitted that they had heard reports that Yaqui Indians threatened the rear of Major Langhorne's column, but pointed out that the reports were unofficial and lacked verification.

No apprehension for the safety of the column seemed manifest here, it being asserted that it is amply able to give good account of itself should it be attacked by any hostile force on its return to the frontier.

The united column, consisting of two troops and a machine gun troop of the Eighth cavalry, under Colonel Sibley, and two troops of the